Sprouts Farmers Market, Inc.

Form 4

March 02, 2016

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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Number:

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(Instr. 3 and 4)

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14,767

\$ 27.68 5,142 (1)

Price

January 31, 2005

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obligations

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may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

Common Stock, par

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\$0.001 per share

value

value \$0.001 per share

02/29/2016

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A Berlinski D	Person * 2. Iss Symbo		d Ticker or Trading	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last) (First) (Middle)			ts Farmers of Earliest T	Market, Inc. [SFM]	(Check all applicable)			
(Eust)	(Tilst)	,	/Day/Year)	Tansaction	Director	10%	Owner	
5455 EAST 111	, SUITE 02/29	/2016		X Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP, Controller				
(Street)			nendment, D	ate Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
PHOENIX,	, AZ 85054	Filed(N	Ionth/Day/Yea	ar)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non-	Derivative Securities Acc	quired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, i any (Month/Day/Year	Code	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

Code V Amount (D)

9,625

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.7755	02/29/2016		M	9,625	(2)	07/23/2019	Common stock, par value \$0.001 per share	9,625

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Berlinski Donna

5455 EAST HIGH STREET

SUITE 111

PHOENIX, AZ 85054

VP, Controller

Signatures

/s/ Brandon F. Lombardi, Attorney-in-Fact for Donna Berlinski

03/02/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Amount includes 3,657 shares of common stock, 509 restricted stock units and 976 performance share awards. Each restricted stock unit and performance share award represent the right to receive, upon vesting, one share of common stock. The restricted stock units will vest over three years, with one-third vested on March 4, 2015; one-third vesting on March 4, 2016; and the remaining one-third vesting on March 4, 2017, assuming continued employment through such dates. The performance share awards will vest over two years, with one-half vesting on March 11, 2017 and the remaining one-half vesting on March 11, 2018, assuming continued employment through

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such dates.

(2) All such options are presently exercisable.

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